IN THE SPECIFICATION

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.57, material omitted from the original specification and drawings that was incorporated in one or more cross referenced applications is being added via amendment. Care was taken to add no new subject matter. Please amend the specification as detailed below:

**Please change the second paragraph of page 6 to read as shown below:**

Before going further, we need to define the term's process, feature, external factors and owner. A process is an activity or a collection of activities that are initiated and completed on more than one occasion over an indefinite time period as required to produce one or more deliverables. The process deliverables can have expected lives that are limited to a fraction a second, indefinite or anything between these two extremes. Every process uses resources, produces one or more deliverables and has features. The resources used by a process can include: consumable resources (i.e. crude oil), intermittent resources (i.e. maintenance labor) and long term resources (i.e. the refinery process and equipment). In this specific example, the crude oil is an external factor, the maintenance labor can belong to either the employee element of value or a supplier element of value and the long term resources are equipment and process elements of value within the matrices of value and risk for the enterprise or multi-enterprise organization as detailed in cross-referenced application 09/994,720 filed November 28, 2001 and application number 09/994,739 filed November 28, 2001. External factors are numerical indicators of: conditions or prices external to the owner and conditions or performance of the owner compared to external expectations of said conditions or performance. Generally, a process requires the use of one or more elements of value. However, the system of the present invention will optimize a process with only one element of value. When used to optimize the performance of one element of value for all the processes that utilize the element, the system of the present invention functions as an "asset management system".

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